Kxecutive Aroclamation -State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, South Dakota, was organized on June 9, 1883; and,

WHEREAS, Since the settlers in the area were primarily German, the sermons in those early days were all "sprechen auf Deutsch." In fact, until almost twenty-five years ago, much of each church service was in German; and,

WHEREAS, The first leader for this new little church was Pastor J. Creoni. One hundred years later (and twenty-two pastors later), church services are conducted by the Reverend Tim Walker; and,

WHEREAS, The wooden structure that is the home of Plum Creek Baptist Church has also changed throughout the years. Even after a new and larger building was constructed in 1889, the church has been expanded and remodeled three times since: 1899, 1949, and 1967; and,

WHEREAS, Just like the people who come to worship, Plum Creek Baptist is a strong church with an impressive history. For one hundred years now, its congregation has found strength and unity in the sharing of the Word; and,

WHEREAS, To celebrate this tremendous accomplishment, Plum Creek (which was part of a four station network that included Menno, Bridgewater and Kulm) is having a banquet, a picnic, and guest speakers that include some of the church's former pastors; and,

WHEREAS, Plum Creek Baptist is a fine church that deserves special recognition on this historic weekend:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM . JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 12, 13, and 14, 1983, as

FLUM CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH DAYS

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in South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenta Day of August, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE